

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 25, with the following paragraph:

The N,N-di-substituted ~~amine~~ aminoalkyl acrylates include, for example, an ester of acrylic acid or methacrylic acid such as N,N-dimethyl aminomethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dimethylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dimethylaminopropyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dimethylaminobutyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-diethylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-diethylaminopropyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-diethylaminobutyl (meth)acrylate, N-methyl-N-ethylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dipropylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dibutylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dibutylaminopropyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dibutylaminobutyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dihexylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dioctylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, acryloylmorpholin and the like. Among these, N,N-dimethylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-diethylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dipropylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N,N-dioctylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate, N-methyl-N-ethylaminoethyl (meth)acrylate and the like are preferred.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 49, line 19, with the following paragraph:

In addition, as Comparative Examples 5 to 119, rubber compositions were prepared by using oil-extended diene-based rubbers a to j or non-oil-extended diene-based rubbers k to t, and commercially available aluminium hydroxide powder (trade name; “HIGILITE H-43M” manufactured by Showa Denko K. K., average particle diameter; 0.6  $\mu\text{m}$ ) by dry blending in accordance with the formulation in Table [[6]] 4.